YARNELL FIRE DISTRICT

FIRE BOARD MINUTES, SPECIAL SESSION

February 12, 2018

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Arlon Rice called the meeting to order at 10 AM

2. Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call of Board Members:

Present were Chair Arlon Rice, Treasurer Richard Mayer, Secretary Carole Ryan, Members at Large Kevin O'Donnell, Donna Gordon. Ben Palm, Chief. No public were in attendance.

3. New Business:

A. YFD 2018-2019 Budget: The Chief provided a power point presentation of the current budget.

Total tax revenue is \$141,151. With other revenue this comes up to \$164,151. Other non-tax revenue comes from grants/donation, Auxiliary benefits, training center earnings, state and national wild fires- ambulance use, water tender use, labor from our wild fire fighters (a percentage).

2017/2018 budget is \$397,859. This last year, much needed expense money came from our Safer Grant, which ends next month. This year we will have to lower expenses as possible due to this loss.

We still have \$35,000 coming from tax revenue before the end of the year.

Coming problems may include: One fire truck is in bad condition. We may need to get into a lease/option situation for a reworked replacement truck.

ISO insurance rater as coming too our community next week. This determines ratings for the entire community. They will check our vehicles, etc.

For Pension/Relief, we need \$400 monthly for past fire chief, Paul Pulsifer. Also money is needed for upcoming retirements and for insurance.

Currently, we have grant money to pay Denise, our grant specialist, until August. She will be ½ time from July 1. In the future, she will add money in her grants for her services, as is the norm. She is a very necessary member of our staff both for grants and for many other necessary services for YFD.

Fire vehicle problems were also discussed. Engine 401 is used once/week only to make it last. The Squad vehicle is old but still goes on calls. Engine 406 is in good condition.

Engine 403 has no reverse- may need replacement, as mentioned earlier. The C-400, the Chief's Hummer is the command vehicle. Works well so far.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned by Arlon Rice at 11.31 AM. The next regular session will be held February 26, 2018

Respectfully submitted, Carole J. Ryan YFB secretary